

# Housing LIN Symposium

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Testing out different solutions to  
strengthen age inclusive communities

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Creating the right environment for people to flourish

# Bridgend Extra Care:



## Bridgend Extra Care:

- New Development Completed in 2020 comprising of:
- Extra Care Scheme (15 Res Care & 25 Extra Care Units) with 12 Bungalows and 20 General Needs Units.
- Estate Adjacent to new School and College constructed and roughly the same time
- Growing issues with the “School Run” that resulted in:
- [Bridgend: Barricade set up to stop school run parking 'mayhem' - BBC News](#)

## Bridgend Extra Care: Solutions?

- Initially opened discussions with School about the issues and concerns of residents
- Initially invited staff to the scheme to allow them to understand the what we do and the services we provide
- Extended this to pupils – run events for them to meet with residents and “put on” events but also to participate in the events we were running
- Engaged with (Some!) parents of pupils by inviting them to events and open days to see what we do and also meet the residents in the estate who attend these events
  
- Still Early days but we have had fewer issues with parking during drop off and no further protests!!
- Also developed growing relationship with the school and its pupils!

## Partnership with USW Overview:

- Initial discussion started Jan- March 2021
- Memorandum of Understanding with Psychology Faculty - November 2021

### Projects to date

- Music Therapy in Nursing and Extra Care Housing
- Price of Pupil Poverty – Community Hub evaluation (Children in Wales)
- Befriending in Nursing and Extra Care Housing
- 2 x Masters in Research Projects – Post-covid re-engagement into activities and male engagement – both in Extra Care settings.
- Development of Live Brief Challenges
- Academic Placement – Susan Williamson in Linc –placements/research opportunities
- Podcasts around partnership working

